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Navy Case No. 82,222

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of :
Usman A.K. Sorathia :
Serial No. 09/822,308 : Group Art Unit: 1712
Filed: March 29, 2001 : Examiner: Michael J. Freely
For: FIREPROOF PROTECTION INTEGRATING: Confirmation No. 768
FABRICATION SYSTEM FOR COMPOSITE :
STRUCTURES :

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Amendment of the above identified application in response to the Office action dated
June 26, 2002, is requested as follows:

CLEAN VERSION OF AMENDMENTS

TO THE CLAIMS

Rewrite claims 1 and 10 as follows:

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1. A process of forming a composite structure by applying a barrier to an underlying substrate during fabrication of the composite structure, including the steps of: introducing a fire resisting agent to the barrier after formation of the barrier; and attaching the barrier to the substrate before completing the fabrication of the composite structure.

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10. The process as defined in claim 1, wherein said formation of the barrier includes the step of: applying a waterproofing cover skin to the barrier through which the fire resisting agent is infused before said attaching of the barrier to the substrate.